Starting of a Cement Plant at Hosadurga.

*Q.—172. Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Maddur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they have taken any decision regarding starting of the Cement Plant at Hosadurga;

(b) if so, what is the capacity of the Plant proposed to be installed at Hosadurga;

(c) whether it is a fact that a 600-ton unit cannot be installed at a place which is connected by metre-guage facility;

(d) how would the Government or the prospective licensee face the problem of transporting the heavy machinery to the spot which is impossible by metre guage.

(e) the difficulties in Installing two units of 300 tons each at Hosadurga?

A.—Sri K. MALLAPPA (Minister for Industries and Commerce).—

(a) Yes.

(b) 2,00,000 tons per annum.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (c).

(e) A 300 ton plant is not considered as an economical unit.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—Is it not the opinion of the experts who are in the know of things that a plant with a capacity of 2,000 tons per day cannot be installed at a site which has been connected with meter gauge facilities?

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Now the licencee's capacity is 200,000 tons, *i.e.*, about 600 tons or 700 tons per day. There is no difficulty whatever to instal that capacity. No difficulty will be confronted.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಆರ್. ಕೇಶವ ಮೂರ್ತಿ.—ಶರಾವತಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯಿಂದ ಉತ್ಪತ್ತಿಯಾಗುವ ವಿದ್ಯುಚ್ಛಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಅಕ್ಕಪಕ್ಕದ ದೇಶಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರಕಾರ ತಿಳಿಸಿದೆ. ಹಾಗೆ ಕೊಡುವುದಾದರೆ ನಮ್ಮ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸುವ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಗಳಿಗೇನು ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಿ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಮಲ್ಲಪ್ಪ.—ನಮ್ಮ ಬಳಕೆಗಾಗಿ ಉಳಿದರೆ ಕೊಡಬಹುದೇ ಹೊರತು ನಾವು ಉಪಯೋಗಕ್ಕೆ ಬೇಕಾದಷ್ಟನ್ನಿಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳದೆ ಯಾರಿಗೂ ಕೊಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—The Hon'ble Minister was pleased to state with reference to question number 171 that a precondition was imposed on the party that he should have the capacity to manufacture 2,000 tons per day. That condition was imposed just to see that a Mysore party was eliminated. But what actually needed is 600 tons per day. Is this pre-condition purposely schemes by the Government to eliminate the party?

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—The condition was not imposed. The Bombay party applied that he would set up a plant with a capacity of six lakhs tons. The Mysore party filed an application for setting up a plant with a capacity of 300 tons only, which is not considered as standard or viable. In consideration of the offer made by the Bombay party, that application was recommended. Not only on the production capacity, but also on other capacities, the party was able to prove to the satisfaction of the Government. Sir, again I have to repeat that it is not the intention of Government to discourage the Mysore party. Even now, it is open to the Mysore party. I request that party to make necessary financial arrangements and also to secure technical collaboration arrangements and I assure him that the Government will try to secure a licence for him. But he has not done so.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—Has the industrial license been granted to the Bombay party ?

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Yes, for a factory of 2,000 tons capacity.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ತಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತನಾಡುವಾಗ ಬೊಂಬಾಯಿ ಕಂಪೆನಿಯವರು ಎರಡು ಸಾವಿರ ಟನ್ ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ಅನಂತರ ಆ ತೊಂದರೆ ಇತ್ತು, ಈ ತೊಂದರೆ ಇತ್ತು ಎಂದು 300-600 ಟನ್ ಉತ್ಪತ್ತಿಗೆ ಇಳಿದರೆ ಆಗ ಏನು ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಿ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಮಲ್ಲಪ್ಪ.—ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಲೆಟರ್ ಆಫ್ ಇಂಟೆಂಟ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಆ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಯವರು ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ಕಾರ್ಯಾಚರಣೆ ಮಾಡದೆ ಹೋದರೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಲೆಟರ್ ಆಫ್ ಇಂಟೆಂಟ್ ಅನ್ನು ಹಿಂತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ಪಾರ್ಟಿಗೆ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಈಗ ಆ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಯವರು ಎಲ್ಲ ಏರ್ಪಾಡುಗಳನ್ನೂ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಸುಣ್ಣದ ಕಲ್ಲು ದೊರೆಯುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ಸರ್ವೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ಹೊರತೆಗೆಯುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅರ್ಜಿಯನ್ನು ಹಾಕಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಒಂದು ಜರ್ಮನ್ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಯ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಒಪ್ಪಂದ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆಗೆ ಅದನ್ನು ಕಳಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅವರು ಎಲ್ಲ ಸಲಕರಣೆಗಳನ್ನೂ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

Manufacture of Cement by the Mysore Cement, Limited, Ammasandra.

*Q.—263. Sri B. CHANNABYRE GOWDA (Hoskote).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the quantity of cement manufactured by the Mysore Cement, Ltd., Ammasandra, during 1963-64;

(*b*) whether any complaints have been received from the public that the cement manufactured by the Mysore Cement, Ltd., is of sub-standard quality and not fit for construction purposes and if so, the action taken on the same;

(*c*) whether the cement manufactured by the Mysore Cement, Ltd., has been used for Government buildings and if so, with what results ?